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COCHISE COUNTY SIBLICITY SEARCH AND RESCUE

February 2015

This month in SAR

Special points of interest:

- 2.3.2015 Ft. Huachuca Assist Rescue Mission
- 2.5.2015 training and meeting
- 2.5.12015 Search for overdue Hiker E Stronghold
- 2.7.2015 Tech training West Stronghold
- 2.6.2015 Search Mission Sierra Vista
- 2.8.2015 Search Mission Carr Canyon
- 2.10.2015 Almost mission, search in Sierra Vista (Miller Canyon area)
- Search Willcox area completed by Sgt Noland 2.13.2015
- 2.22.2015 Helo re-quals

2.5.2015 Training and Meeting

In anticipation of the upcoming technical rescue training in the west Stronghold, team members familiarized themselves with a new piece of technical rescue gear the RESCUE MPD. This is quite the gear, The MPD is utilized within haul/lower system and takes the place of the brake rack, prussic and prussic minding pulleys. The change from a lower to a haul or vise versa is quick and smooth. Helps out quite a bit in regard to carrying gear.





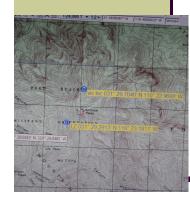
2.3.2015 Ft. Huachuca Assist—Short Haul

We were activated for this rescue mission around 1730 hours. BP initially contacted DPS Ranger for a short haul in the area of Huachuca Peak, who in turn called David. The initial coordinates place the injured subject way into Gardener Canyon and not Huachuca Peak. We finally did get some good coordinates and DPS Ranger

was able to locate the subjects and BP agents. Unfortunately it had gotten dark and no short haul was possible via DPS. The rescue was then completed via CBP helo. However, we did have a plan B, just in case the rescue was not possible. A secondary team was stationed at the Sportsman's Center to possible hike to the area via Garden

Canyon.





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Group photo for the 2.3.2015
Mission, missing is Scott S. R74

2.5.2015 Overdue Hiker East Stronghold

For a changes, this was an early morning mission. We were called around 0835 hours with the CP being the Heli Spot in the E Stronghold. A subject had gone hiking the day prior around 1100 hour and had not returned. The two subjects who called him in, were climbing in the area, and our subject just wanted to go for a hike, but was not familiar with the area. He had asked the two about a trail to the West Stronghold, which is not existent from the Castle Dome rock formation. The two re-

turned from their climbing trip around 1700 hours and this subject was not at camp. They tried to call his phone, unfortunately he had left at camp. This could have been a very ugly situation, not knowing exactly where the subject had hiked to, and the possibility of him having taking a fall. David arrived at the CP around 0920 hours and made contact with two subjects. While he spoke with them, one received a text message from our missing subject stating he was back at camp. We met with the subject at

their camp site and he said he had made it to the west side, but was not able to find his way back due to it getting dark. From what he told us, he made it to the area of Slavin Gulch. He stated he built a small campfire and slept with his dog keeping each other warm. At daybreak he back tracked his route making it back to the camp site.

Dr. Scuba Corner

"Only by binding together as a single force will we remain strong and unconquerable."

Chris Bradford

2.6.2015 Missing Person—Dementia

The SAR team was activated for this search mission around 1400 hours. A subject had gone for a walk around 0900 hours and had not returned as of the time of the page out. The subject was not familiar with the area visiting from out of country. It was believed he was possibly heading to Tombstone to visit other extended family. Our response to this call was great, and we were assisted by BORSTAR, who had arrived first on scene and began tracking the subject from the home he was missing from. We also asked for the assistance of the Department of Corrections Dog team to assist with the search.

into the system as a missing person, and a Silver Alert was issued. A subject driving home

The subject was

heading north and we inserted

teams in a leap frog type fash-

movement. Approximately five

teams were deployed several

on foot the others as mobile

units. The subject was entered

ion to possible intersect his

from work, came across our missing person in the area of Moson Road.

Waiting for the subject to be transported back to command post and to be medically checked. According to the reporting party, the subject had not eaten and did not take any water, therefore dehydration was an issue compounded by the very warm weather we had that day. David is checking our



subject, who appeared, taking everything into consideration, was quite well.



Command Post Area with lots of vehicles parked along the road.



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Group picture from the search, and even Tom made out to this one, "Welcome back."

2.7.201 Tech Training West Stronghold

During this training the team was split into two groups having to set up the VOSRTEX and incorporate the Rescue MPD. Challenges were appropriate anchors for the system as well as anchoring the rear leg of the VORTEX. It was quite the challenge, since we were such a large group, splitting the team gave everyone the chance of working the system, going over the edge as a tender etc. Dominic is working



on one of the anchors for the system, wrap three pull two.



Team 2 is working on setting up the VORTEX



Dominic is working the MPD on



the lower system. So is Deuce, everyone took a turn getting familiarized with the MPD and the change

over from a lower to a haul.

The change form lower to haul or vise versa is extremely quick.



Travis trusting the system. (The fall would have been very short, maybe two feet at the most, the system held and there was no movement what so ever). The system was



changed over into a 3:1 haul system without major rigging, just adding some prussics and a pulley, and maybe a change of direction.



The haul team.s

"Team effort goes vain when individual effort is in the wrong direction."

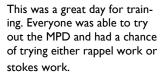
Tech training continued



Team 2 working the haul system. After having broken down



Yvonne and Walter tending the MPD for team two.

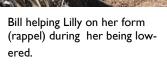


"No obstacle is so big that one person with determination can't make a difference."

Jay Samit



the VORTEX and system, team one headed to another location to rebuild the system in a more challenging location. With





team two doing the same.



Team two's haul set up.



Matt and
Deuce working on the
change from a lower to
a haul. The haul team on
the left with Matt tending the MPD.



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Quickest Search Mission 2.8.2015 Carr Canyon



It was a cold night during the Ft. Huachuca assist rescue mission.

David activated the team around 1755 hours for a 16 year old male having not returned from a hiking excursion in the Carr Canyon area. Not too many made it out the door or even to the location of the search, before the team was cancelled. The subject walked out and was okay.

Bridge Training 2.14.2015

In preparation for the quarterly helo equals on 2.22.2015, we again went to the Charleston Bridge to practice. This is always a good refresher prior to the requals. Everyone had a chance to make several rappels, practice lock offs and also rappel with a pack. Our partners from Graham County also came out to practice. Melanie and Tom practicing with their packs, to include Tom F.



MARCH 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Schedule of Events

- 3.5.15 Training and Meeting
- 3.7.2015 Tech training West Stronghold
- 3.7.2015 Safety Fair Willcox Hospital 0900-1400
- 3.19.2015 Coordinator Training
- 3.20 to 22 Overnighter E Stronghold—ATV and ATV refresher, Tracking,, short MOCK search with a UAV demo

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Bridge training continued



Raul, what are you doing with all that rope?



Eric brought a chair to improvise the helo seat.





The helo team

David on his rappel

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26	27	28	29	30	1	2

Schedule of Events

- 4.2.2015 training ad meeting
- 4.4.2015 tech training TBD
- 4.16.2015 Coordinator training
- 4.16.2015 Dive Tender Training 1730— Foothills Station
- 4.18.2015 Dive Trainer Parker Canyon Lake
- 4.30 to 5.3 State SAR Conference Heber AZ (4.30.15 is registration training begins 5.12015)

Except for the windy conditions, our helo requals went quite well. Practicing the week prior did pay of again. G-Geoff only had one remark in regard to the initial belay person, otherwise okay from his stand point. We need to remember not to only acknowledge notic- One of the two is Deuce. Both ing the rotor blades upon initial approach, we need to remember to again look at them to ensure nothing has changed in regard to their location, height, etc. Even our canine group was able to work with the helo after all the requalification work was complete. They worked on ingress/egress with their respective dogs. Walter and Gaby did not have any major problems, Matt's dog didn't want anything to do with the running helo. Phil is giving the initial safety



brief prior to the helo work.



We all look alike. unable to say who is on belay and who is on rappel.



during their approach. Well, the



second person is Tom. There



were some issues with the rappel rope, and it was changed out. Phil dropping the rope bag to Dominic below. Several team members practiced the rappel with their



pack. Not as easy as it looks. One must be very cognizant preventing the pack from getting entwined in

the rope. Landing with the pack is yet another challenged, especially if



one rappels into an area with trees, shrubbery and or rock formations.



Roxy is waiting for her snack. Prior to the helo



Glad I'm done.

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Gaby is getting ready for her ingress/egress work with her canine, who is not quite so sure



This was a pretty exhausting day for our pilot John Jonas. Thank you for fighting the wind.



Putting the bird back together under the watchful eye of some very serious young people.



if he wants to get into the helo or not. Well



this was not as bad. But I'm sure glad I have



solid ground under my paws.



Who are these young pilots? One is missing a lot of teeth.



CCSO Open House

During the open house, several of the SAR team members received some extraordinary, supplemental training. The team setting up on Friday,

Raul, Deb-

Friday was a bit slow, but Saturday we

bie, Yvonne, David, and later Wal-



sure had quite the crows. And blame it on Travis, we ended up in Portal on Sunday. He said he wanted to have lunch at the Portal store, and he did. Folks were interested and asked questions.



Some of the of the supplemental

training, received by Dominic, Travis and Jim.





The open house was a success, and maybe, only maybe will we get some new members.

ARIZONA SAR CONFERENCE 2015 April 30-May 3, 2015

Salvation Army Camp, Heber, AZ

As of 01/30/2015

Pre-Conference Class: TEEX PER213 Wide Area Search

Apr 28-30 0800-1700 each day:

You must have a FEMA SID number which can be obtained at: https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid/ You must register for this class at

www.erma.az.gov under event number 1004313

K9 Track: See K9 SAR Schedule for list of classes and activities for the weekend

GENERAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

REGISTRATION BEGINS THURSDAY APRIL 30 AT 1400 HRS.

Friday, May 1

Full Day Classes:

0700 BREAKFAST

0800-1700: Wilderness First Aid (SOLO)1 – Maricopa County Mountain Rescue Posse

0800-1700: Map and Compass 2- Verde SAR

0800-1700: **Index Tracking 4** – Green Side Training (Freddy Osuna)

(1900-2100: **Index Tracking Night Exercise** – Green Side Training)

0800-1700: Arizona Tracker 3 Class – Mohave SAR

0800-1700: NASAR SARTECH II Prep Class and Test5 – Dallas Lane

0800-1700: Basic ATV/UTV6 - Pima/Mohave

Half Day Classes:

0800-1200: Using Terrain Navigator Pro for SAR9 - Coconino County Sheriff's SAR

0800-1200: Mounted (equine) Equipment Carrying Techniques – Pima/SAMSAR

0800-1200: CMC MPD Use In Technical Rescue Operations – Pima/SARA

0800-1200: **CPR**-CPR2U (Pima)

1000-1200: **Helicopter Training for K9 Handlers** – AZDPS Aviation

1200-1300: LUNCH

1300-1500: **Urban Missing Person Initial Response** – Dallas Lane

1300-1700: Advanced ATV Search Tactics 8 - Maricopa County SAR - High Desert

1300-1700: AZDPS Helicopter Training (safety, PPE, SAR Ops, Hover Ingress/Egress)10

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AZDPS Aviation

1300-1700: Mounted (equine) Patient Carry Techniques – Pima/SAMSAR

1300-1700: Arizona Vortex Artificial High Directional Use in Technical Rescue – AHSRescue

1400-1700: Unmanned Aerial Systems in SAR – Coconino County Sheriff's SAR

1800-2000: DINNER

Saturday, May 2

Full Day Classes:

0700 BREAKFAST

0800-1700: Wilderness First Aid (SOLO)1 cont. – Maricopa County Mountain Rescue Posse

0800-1700: Map and Compass 2- Verde SAR

0800-1700: Basic GPS3 - Coconino County Sheriff's SAR

0800-1700: **Index Tracking 4**– Green Side Training (Freddy Osuna)

0800-1700: Arizona Tracker 2 Class – Mohave SAR

0800-1700: NASAR SARTECH II Prep Class and Test continued5 – Dallas Lane

0800-1700: Mounted (equine) Field Search – Pima/SAMSAR

0800-1700: Basic ATV/UTV6 - Pima/Mohave

Half Day Classes:

0800-1200: Arizona Vortex Artificial High Directional Use in Technical Rescue – AHSRescue

0800-1100: **Unmanned Aerial Systems in SAR** – Coconino County Sheriff's SAR

1000-1200: **Helicopter Training for K9 Handlers** – AZDPS Aviation

1200-1300: LUNCH

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AZDPS Aviation

1300-1700: Using Terrain Navigator Pro for SAR9 – Coconino County Sheriff's SAR

1300-1700: Swiftwater Awareness – Pima/SARA

1300-1700: CMC MPD Use In Technical Rescue Operations – Pima/SARA

1300-1700: **CPR**-CPR2U/Pima

1800-2100: DINNER / AWARDS / RAFFLE

Sunday, May 3

0700 BREAKFAST

0800-1200: NASAR SARTECH II Prep Class and Test Continued

0800-1200: Swift Water Awareness – Pima/SARA

0800-1200: CPR-CPR2U/Pima

0800-1000: Introduction To Working With Mounted Resources (intended for nonmounted

members and coordinators to understand how to work with and around

mounted searchers)- Pima/SAMSAR

Fees/ Pre-Registration / Pre-Requisites / Equipment Information:

1 = Wilderness First Aid Limited to 24 students (1 class) and there is a \$140.00 fee, due at registration . Please pre-register with conference registration. Minimum 12 students

2 = **Map and Compass Limited to 20 students per class**. (2 classes) Pre-sign up for class with registration for Conference. You must have a compass (preferably with declination adjustment),

search pack, appropriate clothing and footwear for the conditions, and be in reasonable physical

ARIZONA SAR CONFERENCE 2015 May 1-3, 2015 Salvation Army Camp, Heber, AZ

As of 013015

K9 Track Schedule

You must show proof of affiliation with a government agency to attend this conference.

Fieldwork class sizes are limited so make sure to reserve your spot as soon as the preregistration

packets are out. Classes will be filled on a 1st come 1st served basis.

T-shirts will be available at the conference (\$15.00 short sleeve & \$20.00 long sleeve).

REGISTRATION BEGINS THURSDAY APRIL 30 AT 1400 HRS.

Friday, May 1st

0800-1200: Beg/Intermediate HRD fieldwork1- Ben Alexander Texas Search & Rescue

0800-1200: Beg/Intermediate Tracking fieldwork1- Jen Blanton Texas Search & Rescue

0800-1200: Advanced Area fieldwork1- Stacie Burkhardt MAT+SAR K9 Alaska

1200-1300: LUNCH

The following classes are continuation of am classes:

1300-1700: Beg/Intermediate HRD fieldwork1- Ben Alexander Texas Search & Rescue

1300-1700: Beg/Intermediate Tracking fieldwork1- Jen Blanton Texas Search & Rescue

1300-1700: Advanced Area fieldwork1- Stacie Burkhardt MAT+SAR K9 Alaska

1800-2000: DINNER

Saturday, May 2nd

0800-1200: Advanced HRD fieldwork1- Ben Alexander Texas Search & Rescue

0800-1200: Advanced Tracking fieldwork1- Jen Blanton Texas Search & Rescue

0800-1200: Beg/Intermediate Area fieldwork1- Stacie Burkhardt MAT+SAR K9 Alaska

1200-1300: LUNCH

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1300-1700: Adv HRD fieldwork1- Ben Alexander Texas Search & Rescue

1300-1700: Advanced Tracking fieldwork1- Jen Blanton Texas Search & Rescue

1300-1700: **Beg/Intermediate Area fieldwork1-** Stacie Burkhardt MAT+SAR K9 Alaska

1800-2100: DINNER / AWARDS / RAFFLE

Sunday, May 3rd

0800-1200: **AKC CGC**- Cindy McArthur & Diane Christian Coconino County Sheriff's SAR K9 Team Flagstaff, AZ

1 This is an 8-hour, 1-day class limited to 10 students.

ARIZONA SAR 2015 CONFERENCE **GENERAL STUDENT REGISTRATION**

When	May 1 st and 2 nd , 0800-1700. May 3 rd , 0800-1200 Registration/sign in beginning at 1400 HRS on April 30, 2015			
Where	Salvation Army Camp Ponderosa Ranch 3201 Forest Service Rd. 504 Heber, Az. 85928, (Forest Road 504, 1.5 miles north of Hwy 260 south of Heber, Az.) GPS approx. 34° 27.368N, 110°37.593W			
Conference Fees	All pre-registration fees must be received	d by April 24, 2015		
General Conference		\$60.00		
K-9 Conference		\$90.00		
Dormitory Bunks In Buildi Facility use fee required it	•	\$7.00 per night \$16.00 per night \$21.00		
	PURCHASED BEFORE CONFERENCE to guarante T BE SOLD AT THE DOOR, or after April 17, 2015	e.		
Friday 3 meals, Saturday 3 meals, Sunday 1 meal		\$55.00		
Saturday 3 meals, Sunday 1 meal		\$35.00		
Saturday steak dinner only \$17.50 NOTE: ATV and Mounted activities are subject to weather conditions and may be curtailed due environmental damage concerns.				

Many classes are limited to size; use the attached sheet to check for those classes you want to pre-register. In event the class is full, your name will be put on a standby list and you will be

How to Register:

advised.

Submit By E Mail

- 1. Open PDF form attached to email
- 2. Fill out form completely
- 3. Click "Submit Form" button in upper right
- 4. Type your e mail and name in pop-up window
- 5. Click "Send"
- 6. Mail check for full cost of conference to address below MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Arizona SAR Coordinators

Submit By Mail

Print out completed registration form or fill by hand and send via USPS

State SAR Coordinator

Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs

5636 E. McDowell Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85008

Send payment and registration to:

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Arizona SAR Coordinators

FOR QUESTIONS CALL 602 464-6220, leave a message if no answer, or email Ron Ridgway,

Ronald.ridgway@azdema.gov AND James Langston, james.langston@azdema.gov

NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ALLOWED ON THE FACILITIES

ARIZONA SAR 2015 CONFERENCE GENERAL STUDENT REGISTRATION

Student Name:	Mailing Address:
Day Phone:	Night Phone:
E Mail:	
Team Name:	
Agency Affiliation (Required):	Conference Use Only Confirmation #
Conference Fees MUST CHOOSE All pre-registration fees must be rec	
☐ General Conference	\$60.00
☐ K-9 Conference	\$90.00
Facility and Housing Fee (Posse gro (MUST SELECT TYPE OF HOUSING SELECT FACILITY USE FEE ONLY)	pups can be accommodated in dorm wings) FOR EACH DAY, IF NOT STAYING AT THE CAMP,
Dry Camping (Tent, Trailer or RV)	1 to 3 nights
☐ Thursday Camp	\$7.00
☐ Friday Camp	\$7.00
☐ Saturday Camp	\$7.00
Dormitory Bunks In Buildings (th	nere are showers and restrooms in dorms)
☐ Thursday Dorm	\$16.00
☐ Friday Dorm	\$16.00
☐ Saturday Dorm	\$16.00
☐ Facility Use Fee (required if not using h	housing at facility) \$21.00
Meal Tickets MUST CHOOSE O	ONE Meal Ticket must be purchased by April 17, 2015
☐ Friday 3 meals, Saturday 3 meals, Sund	day 1 meal \$55.00
☐ Saturday 3 meals, Sunday 1 meal	\$35.00
☐ Saturday steak dinner only	\$17.50
☐ No Meal Ticket	\$0.00
Optional	
	\$140.00
☐ SAR Tech 2 Prep Class and Test (Do not the total on this form. Pay this fee direct	

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Arizona SAR Coordinators

ARIZONA SAR CONFERENCE 2015

April 28-May 3, 2015 Salvation Army Camp, Heber, AZ

Only the classes with limited enrollment are listed here. See conference information package for complete list of classes. Classes will be filled on a 1st come 1st served basis.

Check only the classes that you wish to attend.

Friday, May	1
All Day Clas	sses
0800-1700	
0800-1700	☐ Map and Compass
0800-1700	☐ Index Tracking
0800-1700	☐ NASAR SARTECH II Prep Class (Prep on Friday/Saturday. Take test on Sunday)
0800-1700	☐ Basic ATV
0800-1700	☐ Basic UTV
Partial Day	Classes
1300-1700	☐ Advanced ATV Search Tactics
Saturday,	, May 2
All Day Clas	eses
0800-1700	☐ Map and Compass
0800-1700	☐ Basic GPS
0800-1700	☐ Basic ATV
0800-1700	☐ Basic UTV
Partial Day	Classes
1300-1700	☐ Advanced ATV Search Tactics
K9 Track (A	Il Friday & Saturday K9 classes are All-Day and limited to 10 students)
Friday, May	1
0800-1700	☐ Beg/Intermediate HRD fieldwork
0800-1700	☐ Beg/Intermediate Tracking fieldwork
0800-1700	☐ Advanced Area fieldwork
Saturday, M	ay 2nd
0800-1700	☐ Advanced HRD fieldwork
0800-1700	☐ Advanced Tracking fieldwork
0800-1700	☐ Beg/Intermediate Area fieldwork